

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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MECHANICAL ACTUATOR INCLUDING A HELICAL-CAM NUT

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the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

was filed on 29 August 2003 as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number PCT/FR03/02607 and was amended on preliminary amendment concurrent with entering U.S. national stage ( if applicable.).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 (a)-(d) or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year)	<input type="checkbox"/>

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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(Application No.)		

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or Pct International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulation, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

<hr/>	<hr/>	(Status) (patented, pending, abandoned)
(Application No.)	(Filing Date)	

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made

on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statement were made with the knowledge that willful false statement and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application of any patent issued thereon.

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**CHAPTER II**

#4.

**IN THE UNITED STATES ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US)**

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
MECHANICAL ACTUATOR INCLUDING A HELICAL-CAM NUT		
TITLE OF INVENTION		
GAECHTER, Jean-Pierre		
APPLICANT(S)	US Serial No. 10/524298 US File Date: 11 Feb 2005	

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 Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231  
 ATTENTION: EO/US

**COMPLETION OF FILING REQUIREMENTS  
 FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION ENTERING U.S. NATIONAL STAGE  
 IN U.S. ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US) UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371**

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10\***

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 Express Mail certification is optional.)*

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(type or print name of person certifying)

Date: JUL 26 2005

\* Only the date of filing (§ 1.6) will be the date used in a patent term adjustment calculation, although the date on any certificate of mailing or transmission under § 1.8 continues to be taken into account in determining timeliness. See § 1.703(f). Consider "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" (§ 1.10) or facsimile transmission (§ 1.6(d)) for the reply to be accorded the earliest possible filing date for patent term adjustment calculations.

(check and complete the applicable item, if applicable)

- This replies to the Notice of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.495 (FORM PCT/DO/EO/905).
- A copy of FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 accompanies this response.

**WARNING:** Where the items being submitted to complete the entry of the international application into the national phase are subsequent to 30 months from the priority date the application is still considered to be in the international state and if mailing procedures are utilized to obtain a date the express mail procedure of 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 must be used (because international application papers are not covered by an ordinary certificate of mailing. 37 C.F.R. § 108(2)(xi)).

**NOTE:** Documents and fees must be clearly identified as a submission to enter the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371. Otherwise, the submission will be considered as being made under 35 U.S.C. § 111. 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(g).

### **DECLARATION OR OATH**

I.  No original declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

**OR**

- The declaration or oath that was filed was determined to be defective. A new original oath or declaration is attached.

**NOTE:** For surcharge fee for filing declaration after filing date complete item IV(2).

**NOTE:** Acceptable minimums in the declaration in an ordinarily filed U.S. application for identification of the specification to which it applies are:

- (A) application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456);
- (B) serial number and filing date;
- (C) attorney docket number which was on the specification as filed;
- (D) title which was on the specification as filed and reference to an attached specification which is both attached to the oath or declaration at the time of execution and submitted with the oath or declaration; or
- (E) title which was on the specification as filed and accompanied by a cover letter accurately identifying the application for which it was intended by either the application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456), or serial number and filing date. Absent any statement(s) to the contrary, it will be presumed that the application filed in the PTO is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the oath or declaration.

M.P.E.P. § 601.01(a), 7th ed. Notice of September 12, 1983 (1035 O.G. 3). See M.P.E.P. § 601.01(a), 7th ed.

**NOTE:** Another minimum found acceptable in the declaration is the filing date (i.e., date of express mail) and the express mail number, useful where the serial number is not yet known. But note the practice where the express mail deposit is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday within the District of Columbia. 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(c).

**NOTE:** See 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(a).

- The original oath was objected to. A new original oath is attached.

(complete (c) or (d), if applicable)

Attached is a

- (c)  Statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the application that the inventor executed by signing the declaration.
- (d)  Statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto that were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date.

## AMENDMENT

### II. (complete as applicable)

- An amendment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 is attached.
- The attached amendment cancels claims \_\_\_\_\_ inclusive.

## TRANSMITTAL OF ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPERS

### III. Submitted herewith is an English translation of the non-English language international application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the PTO. (See 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(c))

NOTE: For fee for processing a non-English application, complete item IV(3).

NOTE: A non-English oath or declaration in the form provided or approved by the PTO need not be translated. 37 C.F.R. § 1.69(b). The translation of the old claims are attached. These are not the current pending claims.

### FEES

The Statement of Accuracy applies to the entire translation

### IV. including the originally submitted portions and the old claims submitted herewith.

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a).

#### 1. Fees for claims

- each independent claim in excess of 3 (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(b))—\$84.00; small entity—\$42.00 \$\_\_\_\_\_
- each claim in excess of 20 (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(c))—\$18.00; small entity—\$9.00 \$\_\_\_\_\_
- multiple dependent claims(s) (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(d))—\$280.00; small entity—\$140.00 \$\_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. Surcharge fees

- surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(e) for accepting the declaration later than 30 months after the priority date in filing an application in the U.S. as a designated office—\$130.00; small entity—\$65.00 \$\_\_\_\_\_ 65

NOTE: The processing fee in the next item 3 below is not subject to a reduction for small entity status.

### 3. processing fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(f) for acceptance of an English translation later than 30 months after the priority date—\$130.00

\$\_\_\_\_\_ 130

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Total fees \$\_\_\_\_\_ 195

## SMALL ENTITY STATUS

### V. a. An assertion that this filing is by a small entity

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a).

(check and complete applicable items)

- is attached.
- was filed on 11 Feb 05.
- was made by paying the basic national fee as a small entity.
- is being made now by paying the basic national fee as a small entity.

#### b. A separate refund request accompanies this paper.

(Completion of Filing Requirements for International Application Entering U.S. Elected Office (EO/US)  
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02 FC:1618

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## **EXTENSION OF TIME**

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

VI. The proceedings herein are for a patent application. Accordingly, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

(a)  Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the total number of months checked out below:

<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 920.00	\$ 460.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 1,440.00	\$ 720.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$ 1,960.00	\$ 980.00

Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_

or

(b)  Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

## **TOTAL FEE DUE**

VII. The total fee due is:

Completion fee(s)	\$ _____
Extension fee (if any)	\$ _____
TOTAL FEE DUE \$ <u>195</u>	

## **PAYMENT OF FEES**

### **VIII.**

Attached is a  check  money order in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$ 195

to Deposit Account No. 08-0879

to Credit card as shown on the attached credit card information authorization form PTO-2038.

**WARNING:** Credit card information should not be included on this form as it may become public.

Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above.

A duplicate of this paper is attached.

## AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

### IX.

**WARNING:** Accurately count claims, especially multiple dependant claims, to avoid unexpected high charges if extra claims are authorized.

**NOTE:** "A written request may be submitted in an application that is an authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. An authorization to charge all required fees, fees under § 1.17, or all required extension of time fees will be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission. Submission of the fee set forth in § 1.17(a) will also be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission." 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

**NOTE:** "Amounts of twenty-five dollars or less will not be returned unless specifically requested within a reasonable time, nor will the payer be notified of such amounts; amounts over twenty-five dollars may be returned by check or, if requested, by credit to a deposit account." 37 C.F.R. § 1.26(a).

Please charge, in the manner authorized above, the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application:

37 C.F.R. §§ 1.492(a)(1), 1.492(a)(4) (filing fees)  
 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(b), (c), and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

**NOTE:** Because additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing or on later presentation must only be paid or these claims cancelled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d)), it might be best not to authorize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possibly when dealing with amendments after final action.

37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (application processing fees)  
 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)–(5) (extension fees pursuant to § 1.136(a)).  
 37 C.F.R. § 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b)).

**NOTE:** Where an authorization to charge the issue fee to a deposit account has been filed before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, the issue fee will be automatically charged to the deposit account at the time of mailing the notice of allowance. 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b).

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying . . . issue fee." From the wording of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b): (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.

37 C.F.R. § 1.492(e) and/or (f) surcharge fees for filing the declaration and/or an English translation of an international application later than 30 months from the earliest-claimed priority date.

**WARNING:** It would be wise to always check this last authorization.

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